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INFO AMEMBASSY ASUNCION

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AMEMBASSY LIMA

AMEMBASSY PANAMA

AMEMBASSY SANTO DOMINGO

AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA

AMCONSUL RIO DE JANEIRO

AMCONSUL SAO PAULO

C O N F I D E N T I A L MONTEVIDEO 2054

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: BTRA, SREF, UY

SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT BY ICJ REPRESENTATIVES

REF: STATE 139389

FOR ARA DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARIES LUERS AND RYAN

1. IN THE LIGHT OF DEVELOPMENTS REPORTED IN RIO'S 1905 AND BA 4139  
WE ASSUME THAT THE VISIT MENTIONED REFTEL WILL NOT OCCUR, AT LEAST  
FOR THE TIME BEING. FRANKLY, WE ARE RELIEVED. WHILE RECOGNIZING,  
OF COURSE, THE RIGHT AND IMPORTANCE OF ICJ INVESTIGATIONS, THIS  
EMBASSY WAS FRANKLY CONCERNED WITH THE INDICATION  
IN REFTEL THAT ONE OF THE MEMBERS, US CITIZEN JOSE  
CABRANES, INTENDED TO CALL AT THE EMBASSY IN THE COURSE OF THE  
INVESTIGATION, WHILE REFTEL DID NOT SO STATE WE ASSUME THAT  
THE INTENT OF THIS CALL WAS TO CONSULT US WITH RESPECT TO THE  
PURPOSES OF THE MISSION AND IT IS THIS POINT WHICH GAVE US REAL  
CONCERN AS THE DEPARTMENT IS AWARE THE ICJ HAS IN THE PAST  
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VISITED HERE AND BEEN GIVEN FULL FACILITIES TO INVESTIGATE

HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES BY THE URUGUAYAN GOVERNMENT. IN CONNECTION WITH THE FIRST INVESTIGATION IT ISSUED A REPORT WHICH INCLUDED SOME CRITICAL OBSERVATIONS REGARDING URUGUAY AND STILL LATER IT ISSUED EVEN MORE CRITICAL COMMENTS BASED, AS WE UNDERSTAND IT, " ON INFORMATION RECEIVED" BUT NOT ON VISITATION.

2. AS THE DEPARTMENT IS AWARE THIS EMBASSY HAS TAKEN A KEEN AND CONTINUING INTEREST IN THE HUMAN RIGHTS PROBLEM AND HAS REPORTED TO THE DEPARTMENT ON THIS AS FULLY AND OBJECTIVELY AS WE KNOW HOW. WE HAVE ALSO ON APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITIES EXPRESSED OUR CONCERNS AND INTEREST ON THE HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE REPEATEDLY AND AT HIGH LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT, INCLUDING THE HIGHEST. WE BELIEVE THE COURSE WE HAVE FOLLOWED IS AN APPROPRIATE ONE AND HAS THE BEST CHANCE OF BEING EFFECTIVE IN TERMS OF IMPROVING THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION HERE INSOFAR AS US ACTION IS ABLE TO DO IT. BUT TO TAKE THE CHANCE THAT WE MAY BE INVOLVED BY ASSOCIATION IN A REPORT BY ANY OUTSIDE AGENCY SUCH AS THE ICJ, OR AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL, FOR THE CONTENTS OF WHICH WE HAVE NEITHER CONTROL NOR RESPONSIBILITY, APPEARS TO US TO BE IN-APPROPRIATE AND INADVISABLE. WE HAD THEREFORE DETERMINED ON THE BASIS OF REFTEL THAT WE WOULD NOT DISCUSS THIS ISSUE WITH CABRANES IN THE ABSENCE OF CONSULTATION AND MORE SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT.

3. THE PURPOSE OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO BRING OUR CONCERNS TO YOUR ATTENTION AND ASK FOR YOUR GUIDANCE SHOULD THIS PROPOSED VISIT OR SOMETHING LIKE IT MATERIALIZE IN THE FUTURE.

4. GDS.  
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